WEST VAN MATTERS

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2013 Regular Council Meeting AGENDA January 14th; Calendar to January 25th Info mtgs (Ambleside, 1300blk) • WG/Cmte Apptmts • **WVM 2012: List of Titles**

~~~ Happy New Year! ~~~

MAIN ITEMS on Jan 14 Agenda: Delegation from WV Streamkeeper Society; Ambleside Activation and Village Ctr Strategy; Establishment of Website mbrs (as a) WG; Proposed Ccl Procedure bylaw (think it's about having the Cmte of a Whole mtgs -- from what little I know about it, sounds good, dedicated to DWV finances so public more informed and involved); GVRD Labour Relations; Apptmts to MIA, Bds/Cmtes/WGs; Correspondence (lots but you may have to work or guess to access it)

- == Lease/Sell Survey; Vive le Canada (Sir John A); from the EDITOR'S DESK (Openness; Cmte of the Whole); UPDATES & INFO (Ambleside Activation; WV Streamkeepers; Srs' Ctr; More Newsletters, Gleneagles, Westerner)
- = CALENDAR to Jan 26: CULTUREWATCH (Theatre; Art; Music; Opera); NATURE
- = PS to WVM24 // HEADSUP: Mtgs Galore in January! // Advance Notice / Ccl Agenda Jan 14
- = Ccl AGENDA Jan 14
- = WVM 2012 List of Topics

= ANIMALWATCH (Kittens; SPCA, ABBA); INFObits (Mali; Berlusconi; Attawapiskat); ROYALWATCH (Kate); SOCCERWATCH; CPTWATCH (Eviction to Court); SEXWATCH (LGBTQIA); BOOKWATCH (God's Doodle; Cdn Authors); LANGUAGEWATCH (Ithkuil; initialisms); GRAMMARWATCH (Copyeditors killed); PRONUNCIATIONWATCH (been); WORDWATCH (morology); HERITAGEWATCH; HAIKUWATCH; MAIKU; QUOTATIONS/THOUGHTS/PUNS

YOUR OPINION on 1300block MARINE DRIVE -- LEASE OR SALE?

lease1300@westvan.org

OR

sell1300@westvan.org

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Email your choice (above), lease or sell. If you have already done so, pls ask your family, friends, colleagues to do so. If we haven't lawyers/staff/personnel expert, intelligent, skilled enough to negotiate leasing, then buy other land from the money from the sale to replace thus maintaining our land bank assets! PLEASE, Ccl.

== Vive le CANADA === January 11, PM's statement:

"Today, we honour a founding father of our country - our very first Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Sir John Alexander Macdonald.

"Sir John A. Macdonald, in partnership with George-Étienne Cartier, George Brown, Thomas D'Arcy McGee, Sir Charles Tupper and other great Canadians, provided the vision and drive that created a trans-continental country. As a child immigrant, he arrived in a Canada that was largely confined to the territories that bordered the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes. As a result of his efforts by the time he died in 1891, Canada extended across the entire North American continent and included the Atlantic provinces, the prairies as well as British Columbia.

"A great nation-great in thought, great in action, great in hope, and great in position,' was how he described Canada's future. Canadians give thanks today that his dream has largely been accomplished.

"He achieved this vision of creating a trans-continental country by binding it together through shared national institutions such as our federal Parliament, through the trans-continental railroad linking eastern and central Canada with British Columbia and the Pacific Ocean and through the Northwest Mounted Police (later the Royal Canadian Mounted Police) which brought law and order to the Canadian prairies and earned a reputation for treating all Canadians fairly and equally under the law. Our first Prime Minister was also involved in preserving our natural heritage through the establishment of Canada's first national park in Banff, Alberta.

"I encourage all Canadians across Canada to take time today to reflect upon the life and legacy of this remarkable Canadian leader."

=== from the EDITOR'S DESK ===

Happy New Year! Best wishes for a healthy, productive, and satisfying year.

- + OPEN? More on this later but have noted a tendency to deny either openness (premise/intent for all WG sessions) or campaign promises.
- + The Mayor's introduction of Cmte of the Whole mtgs may be a great improvement.

+ A reader commented that producing the newsletter must cost a lot. Yes, it does. ~\$500 a month (paper, printing, distribution, etc) and that doesn't include the time for attending mtgs/functions and

writing. Pagination is a pain. No surprise I recommend readers subscribe by email (subscribewym@westvan.org). This issue, no transcript, will cost about \$2 but most range from \$3 to \$5. No advertising.

{Donations gratefully accepted :-) }

=== UPDATES & INFO === +++ AMBLESIDE ACTIVATION +++

Proposed projects being considered include:

Ambleside Park concession // Other food services on the waterfront Argyle Avenue opportunities and alternative uses

Save a tree.

Read this on-line or subscribe to the email edition.



westvan.org/2013-1

Commercial Market Study // Sidewalk Dining

Potential uses for 1528 Argyle Avenue // Possible enhancements for the Hollyburn Sailing Club

Spirit Trail // 1468 and 1472 Argyle Avenue – potential food and beverage establishment

Cultural facilities // Visual arts centre // Farmers' Market // Foreshore protection

Streetscape Standards in Ambleside Village Centre

Join us:

Below are your opportunities to get more information, ask questions, and provide feedback.

January 15: Public Consultation/Open House from 4:30 – 6:30pm in the Atrium at the WV Cmnty Ctr, 2121 Marine Dr

January 22: Public Consultation/Open House from 3:30 – 5:30pm at the M Hall, 750 – 17th St, main floor lobby

January 29, Public Consultation/Open House from 7 – 9pm at the WV Memorial Library, 1950 Marine Dr (Welsh Hall)

+++ WV STREAMKEEPER SOCIETY +++

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Peter Gaskill to the Board of the WV Streamkeeper Society.

Peter will replace the departing Sandi Dix who has served for many years as a director and in recent years was the Coordinator of Property Development activities... Her role on Property Development is being assumed by Doug Scarlett, who has been working with Sandi for the past year on the EDPs and near-creek construction activity...

Peter Gaskill is a mechanical engineer, an avid outdoorsman, consistent contributor to several volunteer positions in our organization, and is President of Pacific Arbour Retirement Communities...

We feel fortunate that Peter has agreed to accept this appointment.

For more info, visit: http://www.westvancouverstreamkeepers.ca

Nov/Dec Newsletter: http://www.westvancouverstreamkeepers.ca/dox/newsletter14.pdf

+++ SAC NEWSLETTER +++

Brian Hann, the Adv Bd Chairman reports that the **membership averages 3,500, 72% of whom live in this community, or 15% of the total West Vancouver senior population.** As the fastest growing age group of new members is 55 – 64, we need to offer different programs with an emphasis on physical activities, such as is reflected in the large number in the bicycle groups, hikers, walkers, fit fellas, and exercise classes. The **Centre offers over 900 programs** ranging from wood working, billiards, knitting, art, card games, and dances. There is something for everyone. **Lots of great things going on at the Srs' Ctr.**

Read: http://www.westvancouver.ca/uploadedFiles/Recreation/Facilities/Seniors_Activity_Centre/DWV_Seniors-13-1_web-single.pdf +++ MORE NEWSLETTERS:

Gleneagles Cmnty Ctr -- info and newsletter:

http://www.westvancouver.ca/Residents/Level3.aspx?id=648&utm_source=redirect&utm_campaign=gleneagles

The Westerner (newsletter) -- info from Horseshoe Bay, the western part of the cmnty (last updated Jan 15):

http://chrisadshead.com/index.html

=== CALENDAR to January 26th ===

All mtgs are at M Hall unless indicated otherwise. NOTE: shown are mtgs known at this date; often there are additions, changes, cancellations after WVM goes out. Check the DWV Calendar: http://www.westvancouver.ca/Calendar.aspx. Notices/mtgs/changes too late/early for an issue are sent to subscribers. [See mtgs etc in the Headsup notices sent between issues of WVM.]

MEETINGS, etc up to Jan 14 were sent out in the Headsups (below).

== Tuesday January 15

- ~ 4:30pm ~ Ámbleside Activation Open House, Cmnty Ctr atrium
- ~ 7:30pm ~ Western Residents' Assn mtg (Gleneagles Golf Course Clubhouse)

Seaview Walk Section of the Spirit Trail (http://chrisadshead.com/pdfs/final_spirit_trail_w_questionaire_for_web.pdf) == Wednesday January 16

- ~ 10am ~ Invasive Plant Species WG
 - ~ 4:15pm ~ Cmnty Website Devt WG (mtg 3)
 - ~ 5pm ~ Bd of Variance Hearing (5408 Greentree Rd)
 - ~ 7pm ~ Library Bd mtg at Library

== Thursday January 17

- ~ 4 7pm ~ Open House for 1300blk redevt proposal; Cmnty Ctr atrium
- ~ 6 8pm ~ WVFlorist Proposal -- Public Info Mtg; Srs' Ctr
- == Saturday January 19 ~ 9:30am ~ Open House for 1300blk redevt proposal; Cmnty Ctr atrium

{Monday Jan 21 Public Hearing followed by ccl mtg}

- == Tuesday January 22 ~ 3:30 5:30pm ~ Ambleside Activation Open House; M Hall lobby
- == Wedneśday January 23 ~ 6:30 9:30pm ~ Public Mtg re 1300blk redevt (présentation at 7pm); Kay Meek Ctr == Thursday January 24
 - ~ 4:30pm ~ Design Review Cmte (agenda not yet posted)
 - ~ 7:30pm ~ WV Streamkeeper Society mtg at St Stephen's (885 22nd) -- Time to renew your mbrship!

 Hear status of projects, the workplan, cmte reports, and more.....

+++ WV MEMORIAL LIBRARY +++ http://www.westvanlibrary.ca

In the Gallery

Daniel J. Izzard Master Impressionist - A Retrospective; On display January 4 - February 27.

About the artist: http://www.westvanlibrary.ca/event/gallery_event.php?month=JAN

= ESL BOOK CLUB

Do you enjoy reading stories and wish to improve your reading and conversation skills? The ESL Book Club meets **Tuesdays**, **10:30 - 11:30am**. Next **Jan 8 to Feb 26**.

= ENGLISH CORNER

If you wd like to practise English conversation -- develop skills, learn vocabulary, participate in interesting discussions, and make new friends, come on Fridays starting **January 11 from 10 - 11:30am.** For more info pls call Nadia Vargha Majzub at 922 5152. Facilitated by the Bahai Cmnty of WV in partnership with the Library.

= PHILOSOPHERS' CAFE

10:30 - noon Friday Jan 18 Join Moderator Randall MacKinnon on the third Friday of each month, from Sept through June for a discussion at a Philosophers/ Cafe, part of SFU's Continuing Studies.

<u>Political Fundraising</u> Raising funds and hopes: What effect do party and special interest fundraising have on the US and Canadian democratic systems? Who benefits? Does anyone suffer? Admission is free; no regn required.

= HEALTH + WELLNESS

7 - 9pm Monday Jan 21 -- Advances in Arthritis and Osteoporosis

Dr. Simón Huang, renowned Vancouver rheumatologist and associate professor at UBC, presents ongoing research on arthritis and osteoporosis.

= THE NEW FAMILY LAW ACT IN BRITISH COLUMBIA: ARE YOU READY?

7 - 8:30pm Wednesday Jan 23 -- Family Law in B.C. is being significantly altered on March 1. Members of the Watson Goepel Family Law Group will speak about changes that are coming for the first time in 30 years.

+++ WV MUSEUM +++ http://westvancouvermuseum.ca/exhibitions/current_exhibition 925 7295

January 16 - February 23

THE EDGE OF A SHADOW -- The Paintings of Ruth Killam Massey <u>Opening Reception January 15 at 7pm</u>

"...our earth, our land is what we should cherish most, as humans come and go, but the land stays on."

-- Arthur Lismer

Like the edge of a shadow, which Ruth Massey referred to as being "so eloquent", Massey's paintings express the ever-changing mood of the coastal landscape, using a distinct colour pallet and soft-edged brushwork. Hernando Island, where she had a summer home, was a favourite muse of Massey's and this is one place where her view that "the expression of mood in nature through its slate of vibrant inter-relationships" could be explored on the boundary between the sea and shore and the hillside and forest. Massey framed views of the ocean through piles of driftwood and windswept grasses and at times, turned her perspective inland to capture the interplay of light and shadow in the branches of a craggy tree or created by clouds passing overhead. The exhibition is a tribute and celebration of Ruth Massey (1924 – 2011) and the legacy she created over her lifetime.

+++ FERRY BUILDING GALLERY +++ http://ferrybuildinggallery.com ~ 925 7290

> January 8 - 20 -- Hungry Ghosts: Living in the Age of Consumerism -- Mixed Media

Opening Reception: Tuesday January 8 from 6 to 8pm = Meet the Artists: Saturday January 12 from 2 to 3pm

> January 22 - February 10 -- Abstract Narratives -- Mixed Media

Monica Gewurz, Shakun Jhangiani, Michael Jeffery, Sara Morison

Opening Reception: Tuesday January 22 from 6 – 8pm + Meet the Artists: Saturday January 26 at 2pm +++ SILK PURSE +++ http://silkpurse.ca/exhibitions/ 925 7292

> January 8 – 20 ~~ "Above & Beyond"

My Artist's Corner [http://myartistscorner.ca] is a collective of artists living with mental health issues who embrace and promote art as a limitless tool for self-expression and as a vital tool for recovery. Above & Beyond explores the beauties of the natural world, specifically those linked to the theme of 'Galaxy'. We invite viewers to linger, observe, and immerse themselves in the colours, textures, and uniqueness of each painting. The lone naked eye is not capable of seeing all of the universe's bounty at once and we believe this idea can also be applied to MAC and the stigma against mental health. You cannot fully appreciate any person, place, or thing until it is given the time to be acknowledged and heard; only then will it reveal its true self.

The Opening Reception: Tuesday January 8th from 6 - 8pm

> January 22 - February 3 ~~ "The Path to Nirvana"

Painters Jenna Lamont, oil and acrylic, and Sioux Bonderove, watercolour, invite you to take a journey to the divine through their ethereal and contemplative works of art. Incorporating spiritual iconography and mythological figures into dreamlike worlds of colour and texture, these works aim to soothe the soul and offer a moment of peace and joy.

Opening reception on Tuesday January 22nd from 6 - 8pm

+++ KAY MEEK CENTRE +++ http://www.kaymeekcentre.com/on_stage/events_calendar

Simplest way to get on email list, call 913 3634 (also for tix) or email tickets@kaymeekcentre.com

7pm Sunday/Monday/Tuesday January 13, 14, 15 -- ROCKRIDGE THEATRE PRESENTS: BACKSTORY **10:30am Tuesday January 15 --** ARTISTS CONFIDENTIAL: MARK FEWER, VIOLINIST **3pm Friday January 18 --** MARK FEWER VIOLIN AND JOHN NOVACEK PIANO

3pm Sunday January 20 -- [EMV] PERCHANCE TO DREAME: THE GOLDEN AGE OF ENGLISH MUSIC

+ MOVIES AT THE MEEK: THE INTOUCHABLES -- 7:30pm Tuesday January 22

+ ATLANTIC CROSSING - A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES, ROD... 7:30pm Friday January 25

+++ ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 60, West Vancouver +++ http://www.westvan60.com/

Office: 922 3587 Lounge: 922 1920 Fax: 922 2659

ONGOING EVENTS

For more info about General Meetings & procedures, click here: http://www.westvan60.com/meminfo/meetinfo.html

Meat Draw & 50/50 Draw most Saturdays at 4pm (exceptions will be posted at the Branch).

Mini Meat Draw will usually be scheduled the 3rd Friday of every month at 6pm (exceptions will be posted at the Branch). Veterans' Social will usually be scheduled the last Sunday of each month at 2pm (exceptions will be posted at the Branch).

KARAÓKE with Rob Miller will usually be scheduled the 2nd Friday of every month at 7:00 pm (exceptions will be posted at the Branch).

We also frequently host live music and events at the Branch. Check at the Branch for live music and entertainment schedules! All are welcome to join and have fun!

+++ WV CHAMBER of COMMERCE + 926 6614 + http://www.westvanchamber.com

The Chamber's Annual Mayor's Reception, Hollyburn Country Club -- 6 - 8pm Thurs January 24 CANCELLED

$=== C \cup L T \cup R \in WATCH ====$

* THEATRE

- + ARTS CLUB -- 687 1644 http://www.artsclub.com
 - ~ Granville Island Stage: Ride the Cyclone by Brooke Maxwell and Jacob Richmond Philip; Jan 17 Feb 16
 - ~ Stanley Industrial: Boeing-Boeing by Marc Camoletti; Jan 24 to Feb 24
- + METRO THEATRE 266 7191 metrotheatre.com
 - ~ Barefoot in the Park by Neil Simon (see details below in Headsup);
- + JERICHO ARTS CENTRE http://www.jerichoartscentre.com/
 - ~ Hecuba: United Players' world premiere of Nicholas Kilmer's adaptation (Euripides); Jan 25 Feb 17
- + WATERFRONT THEATRE
 - ~ Canadian Improv Games improv.ca/regions/lm-bc Jan 14 27
- + FIREHALL ARTS CENTRE 689 0916 firehallartscentre.ca

Medicine by TJ Dawe; (varying times) Jan 3 - 13 [held over Jan 23 - Feb 2]

No Exit and Lost and Found: Toronto's Fujiwara Dance Inventions; Jan 16 - 19

+ SFU Woodward's sfuwoodwards.ca

Here be Dragons Jan 10 - 12; various PuSh festival productions; pushfestival.ca Jan 15 - Feb 2

+ THE CULTCH 251 1363 thecultch.com

DON JUAN by Moliere; Blackbird Theatre; 8pm (plus matinees) Dec 26 to Jan 26

+ HAVANA THEATRE

The Good Thief [loveoutlaws.com 253 9119] Jan 15 - 19

Love Outlaws presents Irish playwright Conor McPherson's story about a thug in Dublin's underworld

+ UPCOMING AT PUSH!

MAIN SERIES OPENING TONIGHT!

A Crack in Everything > Jan 15 - 16 Ride the Cyclone > Jan 17 - Feb 16

The Edge Project: Good to Go > Jan 17 - 19 Human Library > Jan 18-20, 25-27, Feb 1-3

Cédric Andrieux > Jan 18 - 20 Sometimes I think, I can see you > Jan 18-20, 25-27, Feb 1-3

Cinema Musica > Jan 20 Ana Sokolovic's Svadba/Wedding > Jan 21-22

Photography: An imaginary look at the uncompromising life of Thomas Smith Jan 22-26

CLUB PUSH

The God that Comes: with Hawksley Workman > Jan 16 - 18

Herald Nix, Proud Animal & Twin River > Jan 19 Stood > Jan 20

PUSH ASSEMBLY

Directors' Breakfast with Mariano Pensotti Jan 18

POP*TACTICS Keynote Address Jan 18 POP*TACTICS Moderated Panel Jan 19

See: http://myemail.constantcontact.com/We-re-launched--Join-us-this-week-at-PuSh.html?soid=1102667450796&aid=pW0pd9Qqf0M

* ART

+ VANCOUVER ART GALLERY http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/events_and_programs/calendar_of_events.html

Coming Exhibitions: for details: http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the_exhibitions/upcoming_exhibitions.html]

~ NB: VAG Mbrs receive 20% off admission to the <u>Royal BC Museum i</u>n Victoria when you show your Gallery Mbrshp card. For more info contact Member Services at membership@vanartgallery.bc.ca or 604 662 4711.

EXHIBITION James Hart: The Dance Screen (The Scream Too) -- November 2012 to January 2014

In late 2009, artist James Hart began designing this large-scale sculpture and began carving the work in 2010. This ambitious project brings together many of the principal animal figures from traditional Haida stories, especially creatures that depend on salmon for their survival.

Read more: http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the_exhibitions/exhibit_hart.html

* MUSIC

- + Vancouver Chamber Choir Jan 18; West Coast Chamber Music Jan 20
 - http://www.allianceforarts.com/files/enet/pdf/13/01/music_0.pdf
- + OPERA PRO CANTANTI procantanti.com at Cambrian Hall
 - Norma by Donizetti, 7pm Sunday Jan 6; Nabucco by Verdi, 7pm Jan 13 and 20
- + EARLY MUSIC VANCOUVER 732 1610 http://www.earlymusic.bc.ca/CA-CalendarOfEvents.html
- o Perchance to Dreame: The Golden Age of English Music

January 18 Friday 8pm | pre-concert introduction at 7:15 -- Christ Church Cathedral, downtown Vancouver January 20 Sunday 3pm | pre-concert introduction at 2:15 -- Kay Meek Centre Studio Theatre, WV

- + VSO -- Info on the season: http://www.vancouversymphony.ca
 - o Jon Kimura Parker plays Grieg Sat Jan 19 and Mon Jan 21

=== NATURE === from David Cook

Thursday January 17 -- Botany Section Evening Programme

Discovering new plant species in western North America in the 21st century.

Chris Sears

The current rate of species discovery in North America is the same as it was one hundred years ago. Discovering new species requires insight, detective work, careful observation, and luck. Chris's talk will cite examples of newly discovered British Columbian species from his research on Kwakiutl's hollyfern, rein-orchids, and hawksbeard.

Chris recently received his PhD in plant systematics from UBC. For his dissertation work, he synthesized information from multiple areas of original research to discover new species and better circumscribe species boundaries of native North American Hawksbeard (*Crepis*). He is currently CEO of Hawksbeard Environmental Consulting.

The evening programs of the Botany Section are held from January through April and September through November on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Unity Church, 5840 Oak St, Vancouver.

For more info and suggestions for future programs pls contact the Program Co-ordinator David Cook at 924 0147. For a complete listing of all Evening Programs see the Calendar of Events Page for Nature Vancouver at

http://naturevancouver.ca/event

Friday January 18

A walk with Terry Taylor and David Cook in Capilano River Regional Park.

This will be slow walk with many stops focusing on identification and taxonomy of non-vascular plants. I will have some input into forest ecology and geology. We will be meeting at 10am. It will be an all-day walk and is by registration limited to about six people. Pls call me [David Cook] at 924 0147 to register and discover the meeting location.

This is not a Nature Vancouver event.

+++ HEADSUP SECTION +++

>>> NB: if you subscribe, these come out before events; put in WVM later === PS to WVM24

No surprise some omissions (see dates below) but revised version on website. (looks like it's hard to tell that's an exclamation mark after Midori's name)

Wanted to let you know about imminent events. Next WVM not expected before Jan 11 at earliest. (Want something in? write to me!)

Beer and QTP at end. The revised WVM24 will be printed and will be marked with a dot under the 14 -- WVM24dot (that is: WVM24.). If you'd like me to email the PDF of the revised newsletter, just write to me with <u>WVM24dot</u> in the subject line, or pull it down from <u>westvan.org/2012-24</u>.

- @ First of all, VSO. Added:
- + VANCOUVER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ~ Info on the season: http://www.vancouversymphony.ca
- o Salute to Vienna ~ 2:30pm Tuesday January 1 at the Orpheum ~

The Strauss Symphony of Canada with the VSO -- Dancers from the Vienna Imperial Ballet (Austria)

- o The Sensational Midori! ~ 8pm Sat Jan 12 and Mon Jan 14 at the Orpheum ~
- @ Christmas tree chip up (added to Updates and Info):
- > Chip Up at Amb Park entrance

Ambleside-Tiddlycove Lions Club: Jan 1 - 6; weekdays noon - 4pm; weekends 10am - 4pm; tiddlycovelions.com

- @ Add'l info re SILK PURSE:
 - http://silkpurse.ca/exhibitions/ 925 7292 --> open for contact but bldg closed for mntnce Dec 17 Jan 8<--
- @ more:

There were a few other tweaks like spacing, hyphens, commas, etc. not important enough to mention. Nonetheless, if you spot an error or omission, pls let me know so it can be fixed.

Still some time to enjoy the Dundarave Festival of Lights! (till Jan 5)

Mayor back Jan 7; in the meantime Sop is Acting Mayor (561 3219)

HAPPY NEW BEER!

Scrumptious! We discovered a great new one at Howe Sound Brewing in Squamish: **Megadestroyer** Imperial Licorice Stout (seven different malts, molasses, licorice root, and star anise – 75 IBU and 23 degrees Plato/1.096 SG) – a beer you'll not soon forget!

My favourite sentence to say aloud (from WVM24):

Once upon a time there were..five ostrobogulous skipperty flipperty filthy grubby muddy little pigs.

And what's a msg from me without Qtn/Tht/Pun? gotta go out with a smile.....

re WVM24, It will come as no surprise to you that as soon as I saw it I had to put in the quotation from Alexandre Dumas, pere, -- and I loved the one from Dr Seuss.

Holidays sometimes provide time to read. If anyone finds the time to read about Ithkuil (in LANGUAGEWATCH, in WVM24) and has a few moments, I'd really be interested in your comments. Actually, you're most welcome to write about a book you've read for me to put in as a recommendation in BOOKWATCH. The NYT had a list of the best of 2012 (put in WVM24), and our Library is asking you for the name of the best book you read this year (contest in WVM24) and you'll be entered for their draw Jan 2.

Last QTP of the year: moved to WVM2013-01

=== HEADSUP: Mtgs Galore in January!

Obvious ppl back and MHall humming! Never seen so many mtgs -- even many at once.

will hasten to get this out rather than wait to be comprehensive and then too late......

Gleneagles Cmnty Ctr has lots going on -- see their excellent newsletter:

http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs104/1103305118124/archive/1112044176069.html

Here's the DWV Calendar, followed by a free SFU City public lecture on Sex, Neuroscience, and Walkable Urbanism on Thursday 10th, VAG info, Metro Theatre's latest, and a QThP at end.

DWV CALENDAR

Pls note: you can click on these to get locations b/c some at Cmnty Ctr; fyi the Website mtg (sometimes called the Cmnty Website Devt Group, starts at 4:15pm)

JANUARY

7:00 pm Upper Lands Study Working Group Meeting
7:00 pm Gleneagles Community Centre Advisory Committee

11
9:00 am Community Grants Committee Meeting
10:30 am John Lawson Park Planning for Play Idea Group
1:00 pm Awards Committee Meeting
14
4:30 Special Council Meeting - Closed Session 7:00 pm Council Meeting
15
4:30 pm Ambleside Activation Open House
16
Community Website Taskforce Meeting 3
5:00 pm Board of Variance Hearing
7:00 pm Library Board Meeting
17
4:00 pm Open House for 1300 Block Redevelopment Proposal
6:00 West Vancouver Florist Proposal - Public Information Meeting

FREE PUBLIC LECTURE

Sex, Neuroscience and Walkable Urbanism

7pm Thursday January 10

SFU Segal Building, 500 Granville St, Vancouver, Room 1200-1500 Admission is free, but reservations are required. Register

9:30 am Open House for 1300 Block Redevelopment Proposal

How are cities across North America making the **most efficient use of their limited transportation resources**? How are they achieving larger job creation, resilience, public health, equity and human happiness goals? Jeff Tumlin has the answers.

Jeffrey Tumlin is singlehandedly changing the way America thinks about transportation. Instead of measuring success by how many freeways a city has. Tumlin is showing that transportation choices (including design for bikes and pedestrians) can improve public health, happiness, and social vitality—and save city budgets. He is the author of Sustainable Transportation Planning: Tools for Creating Vibrant, Healthy, and Resilient Communities (Wiley, February 2012). Visit www.sfu.ca/city for details.

Thank you.

Joshua Randall

The City Program Continuing Studies, SFU at Hbr Ctr Tel 778-782 5254 Email: city@sfu.ca Web: sfu.ca/city

VANCOUVER ART GALLERY

Gallery Store After Holiday Sale! Ornaments, Cards and 2013 Calendars – 50% OFF!

Remember our summer sidewalk sale? This is even better!

Visit the Gallery Store throughout January and receive up to 50% OFF all holiday merchandise while quantities last. For more info: http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/visit_the_gallery/gallery_store.html

The Out for Lunch concert series

will be offered on selected Friday afternoons at 12:10pm and is free with Gallery admission. Arrive early -- this popular event has limited space.

AT METRO THEATRE

One of the North American Stage's most beloved works.

Director Don Briard is busy putting the finishing touches on Barefoot in the Park, the beloved Neil Simon comedy which is as funny today as it was when it first opened on Broadway in 1963.

In the show, Corrie Bratter (Amy Rhead) and Paul Bratter (Albert Nassrallah) are newly wed. For their first home, they live in an apartment on the top floor of a Brownstone in New York City. During the course of four days, the couple learn to live as a "couple" while facing the usual daily ups-and-downs. Corrie wants Paul to become more easy-going, to, for example, run "barefoot in the park". A meddling mother-in-law (Sabrina Prada) and eccentric neighbour (Chris Dellinger) help to complicate things, while trying to help.

Barefoot in the Park will preview on Jan 11, and run through Feb 9 Matinees Jan 20 and 27 Best Value In Vancouver Theatre Take in the Preview on Barefoot! \$12 a Ticket

If you are looking for a bargain, and a different experience think about the preview on Jan 11. Tickets are only \$12, making it the best dollar value in Vancouver theatre. Plus being a preview, you may get a "peek behind the scenes" as anything can happen as the cast and crew shake out the last bugs before opening night.

New!Order Preview Tickets Online. Click Here to Order. http://www.eventbrite.ca/event/5043360828? ref=ecal

Meet us in the Bar!

Don't forget to plan for a slightly later evening than normal when you visit the Metro. One of the unique and terrific traditions at the Metro is the cast retiring to the Metro bar after each performance to unwind and greet the audience. Nowhere else in Vancouver does can the audience be assured of being able to have a quick chat and perhaps a beverage of choice with the cast and crew of the evening's entertainment. Metro is community theatre, community is conversation, access, and fellowship, join us in the bar and say hi!

=== COUNCIL AGENDAs 2013 January 14 ===

Special (closed) Mtg: Sections (e) and (k)

proposed provision of municipal service and land matters

Regular ccl mtg

7:00 PM

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of January 14, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Agenda

3. Adoption of Dec 3, 10, and 12, Ccl Mtg Minutes Dec 10, 2012 reg Ccl Minutes to be provided. { regular Ccl Mtg } RECOMMENDED: THAT the following Minutes be adopted as circulated:

December 3, 2012 special and regular Council Meetings; and December 10, 2012 special and regular Council Meetings; and December 12, 2012 special Council Meeting.

DELEGATIONS

4. J. Barker, WV Streamkeeper Society and WV Sec Sch Students' Environmental Protection Network re Findings of Spawner Salmon Surveys (File: 0055-20-WVST1) PowerPoint presentation to be provided.

RECOMMENDED: be received for information, with thanks.

- 5. Reports from Mayor and Councillors on Boards, Committees, and Working Groups

6. <u>Ambleside Activation and the Ambleside Village Centre Strategy</u> (File: 2515-21)

RECOMMENDED: THAT the report from the Dir/Planning dated Jan 7 be received for information.

7. Establishing a Community Website Working Group (File: 0117-01)

RECOMMENDED: THAT Council refer to the Community Engagement Committee the creation of a Community Website Development Working Group, as described in the report dated January 9, 2013, based on the existing cmnty website devt task team and members, and for consideration of the proposed terms of reference (Appendix 1).

8. Notice of Intent to Consider Proposed Council Procedure Bylaw No. 4730, 2013 (File: 1610-20-4730) RECOMMENDED: THAT

Public notice be given that it is the intent of Council to consider an updated procedure bylaw, as described in the report dated January 3, 2013 regarding Notice of Intent - Consideration of Proposed Council Procedure BylawNo. 4730, 2013; Following statutory notice pursuant to the Community Charter, the proposed updated procedure bylaw be scheduled for Council's consideration at the January 21, 2013 Council meeting.

9. Greater Vancouver Regional District Labour Relations Service Bylaw No. 1182, 2012 (File: 1200-01) RECOMMENDED: THAT

The report titled *Labour Relations Service Bylaw No. 1182, 2012* and dated January 9, 2013, be received for information; The Council of West Vancouver consents to the terms and conditions of withdrawal of the *Greater Vancouver Regional* District Labour Relations Service Bylaw No. 1182 and approves the adoption of the Greater Vancouver Regional District Labour Relations Service Bylaw No. 1182, 2012 by providing consent on behalf of the electors as laid out in the letter from the Chair of the Metro Vancouver Board dated December 5, 2012; and,

Council encourage the Police and Library Boards to endorse Greater Vancouver Regional District Labour Relations Service Bylaw No. 1182, 2012 in order to also make use of the services provided by Metro Vancouver.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

10. Consent Agenda Items

RECOMMENDED: THAT the Consent Agenda items as follows be approved:

10.1. GVRD Bylaw to Repeal the Mosquito Control Admin/Coord Srvc (Bylaw No. 1179, 2012) (File: 0185-01) RECOMMENDED: THAT the Ccl of The Corporation of the District of WV consents to the repeal of the GVRD Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1034, 2005 and consents to the adoption of the Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Bylaw No. 1179, 2012.

10.2. Appointments to Municipal Insurance Association for 2013 (File: 0115-01/0055-20-MIAB1)

RECOMMENDED: THAT the following appmts to the Municipal Insurance Assn for 2013 be approved:

Mayor Michael Smith as the Ccl representative; and G. McRadu, CAO, as the alternate District representative.

10.3. Appointments to Boards and Committees for 2013 (File: 0115-01)

RECOMMENDED: THAT the following reappointments to the **Board of Variance** for a [three-year] term be approved: Gene Quan, David MacDonald, and Sonja Sanguinetti.

RECOMMENDED: THAT

- the following appointments to the **Awards Committee** for [one- and two-year] terms be approved: Lori Williams and Coral Winfield; and
- 2. the following reappointments to the **Awards Committee** for [one- and two-year] terms be approved: Lori Cameron, Ian Davis, Harry Greenwood.

RECOMMENDED: THAT the following appointments to the **Community Grants Cmte** for a [two-year] term be approved: Zahra Azar and Ardeshir Mayan.

RECOMMENDED: THAT

the following reappointments to the North Shore Family Court and Youth Justice Committee be approved:

Liam Blair (reappointed as West Vancouver Member-at-large)

Colleen Croft and Sioned Dyer (both reappointed as City of North Vancouver Member-at-large)

Chang Hyun Park, Patrick Donahoe, Lisa Upton (all reappointed as District of North Vancouver Member-at-large)

Alana Abramson -- North Shore Restorative Justice Society (reappointed for "Professional" category)

Constable Tammy Khorram -- West Vancouver Police Department (reappointed for "Professional" category)

Andrea Kiesser - Canadian Mental Health Association (reappointed for "Professional" category)

Constable Nicola Olsen - RCMP (reappointed for "Professional" category)

Andrew Van Eden - Tsleil-Waututh Nation (reappointed for "Professional" category)

Susan Wilcockson - Hollyburn Family Services (reappointed for "Professional" category);

the following appointments to the North Shore Family Court and Youth Justice Committee be approved: Rita deGraaf and Diane Gradley.

10.4. Appointments to Invasive Plant Species Strategy Working Group (File: 0116-20-CEC) RECOMMENDED rec'd for info: THAT the report dated January 9 from the Cmnty Engagement Cmte informing that the Cmte made the following apptmts:

> Richard Beard, Michael Evison, Saba Farmand, Hugh Hamilton, William McAllister, Karen Marzocco, Nadine Nicholls, and Loreen Williams

10.5. Correspondence List (see link on electronic agenda) (File: 0120-24) -- be received for information.

{Perhaps they'll fix this. I suggested the link include the correspondence from this update at Dec 7 rather than only the January correspondence. If not yet; you'll have to dig.

Ah, I dug and got this for you: http://www.westvancouver.ca/Government/Level3.aspx?id=37466

Don't you just love how easy it is to decipher a DWV URL! }

Council Correspondence Update to December 7, 2012 (up to 12:00 Noon)

Received for Information

- (1) E. Lyman, December 1, 2012, regarding "Change the Insurance Landscape? / No towers / Antennas / Wi Fi Schools / Sickness Montreal / Autism / Wi Fi Danger / EMF Archives / Tank / Complaint / Texas / Towers / Tobacco Lies" (2) The Corpn of Delta, Dec 3, re "Assessment Appeal BC Ferries Inc. Horseshoe Bay Ferry Terminal Properties" (3) BC Water & Waste Assn, Dec 3, re "Important information for Drinking Water Wk 2013 and Cmnty Water Challenge." (4) Two submissions, December 3 and December 6, 2012, re 4726 Woodvalley Place (5) WV Fire Fighters Charitable Soc, Dec 6, re "WV Fire Fighters Charitable Society 2012 Summary of Activities"

- Really impressive and even includes some events for this year, 2013
- (6) G. Chutter, December 6, 2012, regarding "1300 block proposed developemt"
- (7) Da Vinci's Home, December 7, 2012, regarding "Rezoning of Walker Place"

Responses to Correspondence

(8) Director of Engineering/Transportation, Dec 4, response to R. Richards re "Water and Sewage Rates 2013" Council Correspondence Update to December 14, 2012 (up to 12:00 Noon)

Referred for Action

(1) Metro Vancouver, December 5, 2012, regarding "Labour Relations Service Bylaw No. 1182, 2012" (Referred to Director of Human Resources and Payroll Services for consideration and response)

(2) G. Cotter, December 8, 2012, regarding "about Ambleside Streetscape open house" (Referred to Director of Planning, Lands and Permits for consideration and response)

(3) Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue, December 10, 2012, regarding "Request for Delegation to Council" (Referred to Municipal Clerk for response)

(4) December 10, 2012, regarding "Council Agenda Item #7 – December 10, 2012" (Referred to Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)

(5) Decèmber 12, 2012, re "Public Safety Building – Special Council Meeting Agenda Item #3" (Referred to Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)

(6) Committee and Board Meeting Minutes – West Vancouver Memorial Library Board – November 21, 2012

3 submissions, December 5 – 8, 2012, regarding 1300 block Marine Drive

(8) C. Mitchell for R. and D. van Olm, December 10, 2012, regarding "6298 Wellington Avenue – DVP Application tonight" (9) Hollyburn Heritage Society, December 11, 2012, regarding "Hollyburn Lodge Restoration Project" Council Correspondence Update to December 21, 2012 (up to 12:00 Noon)

Referred for Action

(1) WV Secondary School Recycling Club, December 16, 2012, re "West Vancouver Battery Program Requests" (Referred to Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for consideration and response)

(2) Dec 17, re Privacy Concerns

(Referred to Director of Planning, Lands and Permits for consideration and response)
(3) Four submissions, Dec 10-11, re 4726 Woodvalley Place

(Referred to Director of Planning, Lands and Permits for consideration and response)

(4) November 19, 2012, regarding "Marine Drive and 23rd Avenue"

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

(5) December 5, 2012, regarding "Homelessness in West Vancouver"

(Referred to Director of Parks and Community Services for consideration and response)

Received for Information(

(6) Committee and Board Meeting Minutes – Design Review Committee – October 18, 2012

(7) City of North Vancouver, December 12, 2012, regarding "Return to the PST"
 (8) UBCM, Dec 12, re "2013 Age-friendly Community Projects & Planning Grant – Approval and Terms & Conditions"
 (9) Metro Vancouver, December 14, 2012, regarding "Affordable Housing Initiatives in Metro Vancouver Municipalities"

- (10) M. Craver, December 8, 2012, regarding "Cypress Mountain Bike Park becoming a reality again..."
 (11) Da Vinci's Home, December 16, 2012, regarding "Proposed Bellevue Bike Lane"
 (12) E. Lyman, December 16, re "A Response to Jerry Flynn's Proposal (E6-7) Via The Commission's Letter (L-70-12)"
- (13) West Van Streamkeeper Society, December 17, 2012, regarding Salmon Rearing Pond in Memorial Park

(14) A. Bardsley, December 19, 2012, regarding "Earthquake Preparedness"

Responses to Correspondence

(15) Dir/Planning, Dec 17, response to United Home Automation Ltd., re "Stop making obsolete brand new homes in your city due to lack of low voltage wiring guidelines"

Council Correspondence Update to January 4, 2013 (up to 12:00 Noon)

Referred for Action

- (1) P. Chapman, January 3, 2013, regarding "My new View/ new build address is 1105 Esplanade, West Vancouver." (Referred to Director of Planning, Lands and Permits for consideration and response)
- (2) January 3, 2013, re "DWV OCP and the municipal government's commitment to become 'carbon neutral' by 2012" (Referred to Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for consideration and response)

(3) A. Kòwalski, December 26, 2012, regarding "Change to Bi-Weekly Garbage Collection"

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

(4) G. Pajari, December 12, 2012, regarding "Remarks re PSB Funding (Item 3 Today)" (Referred to Acting Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)

{ The author of the above letter is perplexed that his letter, sent earlier than the other letter on PSB Funding (see #5 in Correspondence to Dec 14th above), was delayed until January while the other letter was processed immediately. The author was also disappointed that no one on Council appeared to have read the letter as no comment was made at the meeting about the concerns raised.

Unfortunately, as the meeting was scheduled during business hours, the writer could not attend. }

Received for Information

K. Farquharson, January 2, 2013, regarding "Development Permit for 1455 Bellevue Avenue"

GVR Steering Cmte on Homelessness, Dec 21, re "requesting renewal for Homelessness Partnering Strategy to PM"

(7) S. van Woerkens, December 13, 2012, regarding 1300 block of Marine Drive

Council Correspondence Update to January 8, 2013 (up to 4:30 pm)

Referred for Action

- (1) Future of Howe Sound Society, January 5, 2013, regarding "Request for Delegation to Council" (Referred to Municipal Clerk for response)
- (2) December 28, 2012, regarding "impending removal of second vehicle overpass at Park Roval" (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

Responses to Correspondence

- (3) Director of Planning, Lands and Permits, Jan 3, 2013, response to J. Bartholomew re "Fwd: 4726 Woodvalley Place"
- (4) Director of Planning, Jan 7, 2013, response to CNV re "Affordable Housing for the Persons with Disabilities"

11. OTHER ITEMS

- **11.1.** Union of British Columbia Municipalities, December 12, 2012, regarding"2013 Age-friendly Community Projects & Planning Grant Approval and Terms & Conditions"
- 11.2. Jan 3, 2013, re "DWV OCP and the municipal govt's commitment to become 'carbon neutral' by 2012".
 12. Public Questions/Comments
 13. Adjournment

=== 2012 WVM List of Titles ===

2012-01

2012 Sp Ccl Mtg NOTES from Dec 14th; Ccl AGENDAs Jan 11th/16th; Calendar to Jan 27th ADRA Survey • WVM 2011 Titles • Less Sec Ste Parking? • Christmas Silliness

2012-02

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Jan 16th; Ccl AGENDA Jan 23rd; Calendar to Feb 9th Budget • Sec Ste Parking • Ambleside Village • Tennis Courts vs Parking

2012-03

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Jan 23rd; Ccl AGENDAs Feb 6th; Calendar to Feb 26th Streamkeepers/EPN • Budget! • Centennial Celebrations Plans

2012-04

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Feb 6th; Ccl AGENDA Feb 20th; Calendar to Mar 9th Budget • Sec Ste Parking • Argyle Prop Purchases • Heritage Wk Feb 20 - 26

2012-05

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Feb 20th; Ccl AGENDA's Mar 5th; Calendar to March 30th Budget 2012 • Shoreline Protection Plan • WV Police Year-End Report

2012-06

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Mar 5th/6th; Ccl AGENDA s Mar 26th; Calendar to April 5th Campaign \$\$ Disclosure • Budget 2012 Input/Qs • Purchase/Sale 1300blk

2012-07

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Mar 26th; Ccl AGENDA Apr 2nd; Calendar to April 27th+ Council Remuneration • Letters on Budget & 1300blk • Cell Towers

2012-08

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Apr 2nd; Ccl AGENDA Apr 23rd; Calendar to May 10th+ **Budget Passed •** At-Grade Crossing PkR • **Ccl Remuneration •** Cell Towers

2012-09

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Apr 23rd; Ccl AGENDAs May 7th; Calendar to May 31st+ PSB Open Houses • Camelot/Union aka Skilift • Cmnty Day Centennial Cmte 2012-10

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2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES May 7th; Ccl AGENDAs May 28th; Calendar to June 7th Police New Crest • PSB Open Houses • Youth Ccl • Centennial Cmnty Day

2012-11

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES May 28th; Ccl AGENDAs June 4th; Calendar to June 22nd 211 • Zoning PH • New Arts Ctr • Lower Caulfeild Heritage • Gleneagles Noise

2012-12

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES June 4th; Ccl AGENDAs June 18th; Calendar to June 30th 2011 Annual Rpt • Ice Alloc'n • Amb: Less Parking? • Cmnty Grants • Cell Towers

2012-13

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES June 18th; Ccl AGENDAs June 25th; Calendar to July 13th **PH Lower Caulfeild •** Pond in Park • **PSB Rpt •** Parks Plan • Collingwood Sch

2012-14

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES June 25th; Ccl AGENDAs July 9th; Calendar to July 30th Annual Rpt • Collingwood (M) • Black Crk Rpt • Cycling • Lower Caulfeild

2012-15

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES July 9th; Ccl AGENDAs July 23rd; Calendar to August 18th Black Crk Tree Massacre • Salmon Rearing-Pond • 26th & Marine Drive

2012-16

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES July 23rd; NO AGENDAs; Calendar to August 31st+ (Sept 10?)

1300blk: Lease/Sell • Wireless Policy • Kinder Morgan • PSB • RoyalTea-by-the-Sea

2012-17°

2012 Ccl Mtg AGENDAs Sep 10th; Calendar to Sept 22 Reader Question • RoyalTea-by-the-Sea Jubilee Remarks • 2012 WVM List

2012-18°

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Sep 10; AGENDAs Sep 17th; Calendar to Oct 6th Lease/Sell Question • Library's 2011 Annual Report • Horseshoe Bay Pier

2012-19

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Sept 17th; AGENDAs Oct 1st; Calendar to Oct 20th + Lease/Sell Survey • PH 26th & Marine • Upper Lands Study Review • FAR

2012-20

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Oct 1st; AGENDAs Oct 15th; Calendar to Nov 3rd Lease/Sell • PH 650-16th St • 26th & Marine • Tax Exemption • HBay Wharf

2012-21•

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Oct 15th & 29th; AGENDAs Nov 5th; Calendar to Nov 22nd Surveys: Lease & 2013 Budget Priorities • Staff Salaries • Veterans' Week

2012-22•

2012 Ccl Mtg NOTES Nov 5th; Ccl AGENDAs Nov 19th; Calendar to Dec 7th 2013 Budget • Cmnty Ctrs Report • BCF Assessment?! • Child Care Report

2012-23

2012 Ccl NOTES Nov 19th & 26th; AGENDAs Dec 3rd & 10th; Calendar to Dec 20th 2013 Budget • 1300blk / Grosvenor • PSB • Utilitie\$ • Housing Action Plan

2012-24

2012 Ccl NOTES Dec 3rd, 10th, & Dec 12th; Calendar to Dec 31st+ (some to Jan 20) Budget • Waterfront • Rezoning WVFlorist/Walker • Hollyburn Lodge • PSB

=== ANIMALWATCH ===

- Bengal kittens explore (1:28) http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=endscreen&NR=1&v=mzNU9FLiaOE
 Bengal cat talking to kitten (2:30) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fd5S_wpOCNE
- + 12-hour-old snow Bengal kittens (slow; just to see them 2:55) http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=endscreen&NR=1&v=8lgy-HHpycc
- + 18-day-old **Abyssinian kittens** (2:21) http://youtu.be/MII0iaBabfY + **Burmese kittens** and staircase (1:32) http://www.youtube.com/watch?NR=1&feature=endscreen&v=lqUr3ulJkDo
- + SPCA music video "Take a chance on me!" (4:52) http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=endscreen&NR=1&v=8lgy-HHpycc --> New Year's Resolutions for Animal Lovers

http://www.spca.bc.ca/news-and-events/news/new-years-resolutions-2013.html

=== INFObits ===

:-([VSun Sat Jan 5 pC1 photo] A man prays beside the remains of tombs of locally venerated Islamic saints whose mausoleums were destroyed by Islamist group Ansar Dine in Timbuktu, Mali. Since taking control of Timbuktu, al-Qaida and its allies have destroyed seven of the region's 16 mausoleums listed as world heritage sites.

:- Berlusconi blasts 'feminist, communist' magistrates for ex-wife's divorce settlement

Associated Press, Updated: Wednesday, January 9, 10:54 AM

ROME — Former Premier Silvio Berlusconi has infuriated Italy's legal establishment by blasting a group of female magistrates as "feminist" and "communist" for what he said was a €200,000- (\$260,000-) a-day divorce settlement....Berlusconi and Lario were married in 1990 and have three adult children. Lario filed for divorce in 2009, citing

Berlusconi's fondness for younger women.

Berlusconi also has two other children from his first marriage.

Berlusconi, who is currently dating someone nearly 50 years his junior, is on trial in Milan accused of paying for sex with an underage Moroccan teen and using his office to cover it up. More lurid details:

http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/europe/berlusconi-blasts-feminist-communist-judges-for-ex-wifes-20000day-divorce-settlement/2013/01/09/2befa656-5a45-11e2-b8b2-0d18a64c8dfa_story.html

- :-? Attawapiskat received ~\$100M 2005 2011 but no documentation? What did they do with the money since the ~1800 ppl live in abject poverty? Why did the feds give out so much money not knowing what was happening with it???
- :0) Age The median age of Vancouver residents was 39.0 in 2009 (Statistics Canada, 2009). The median age range of the sample was 35-44. The sample had a normal distribution and is representative of the population with respect to age.

{MUCH younger than WV -- in 1990 the median age in WV was 50 and we have one of the largest proportions of retirees; will get the stats for the next issue.}

=== ROYALWATCH ===

Kate Middleton's Birthday -- Kate Middleton turns 31! http://www.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=839829 Kate Middleton's first portrait 'beautiful', says Prince William, but social media says 'old' Vancouver Sun January 11, 2013 8:24 AM

More: http://www.vancouversun.com/life/royals/Duchess+Cambridge+Kate+gets+first+official+portrait+painting+Paul/7806591/story.html

=== SOCCERWATCH ===

short video of two saves: http://m.guardian.co.uk/sport/video/2013/jan/11/peru-goalkeeper-double-save-video

=== CPTWATCH ===

From: "CPTnet: the news service of CPT" <cptnet@mailman.cpt.org>Subject: [CPTnet] SOUTH HEBRON HILLS: Massafer Yatta – Firing Zone 918 Update Date: 1 January, 2013 9:07:35 AM PST

To view the on-line version click here.

http://www.cpt.org/cptnet/2013/01/01/south-hebron-hills-massafer-yatta---firing-zone-918-update

CPTnet 1 January 2013

SOUTH HEBRON HILLS: Massafer Yatta – Firing Zone 918 Update

On 16 December, lawyers from the Association for Civil Rights in Israel submitted legal objections to Israel's High Court of Justice regarding the planned creation of Firing Zone 918 and the eviction of eight villages in Massafer Yatta. The High Court granted the request for a 30-day extension of the intermediate orders that prevented the displacement of the inhabitants who reside within proposed zone. The lawyers will submit new petitions by 16 January seeking new intermediate orders.

CPTnet: the news service of CPT <cptnet@mailman.cpt.org>[CPTnet] Prayers for Peacemakers, January 8, 2013 9 January, 2013 5:46:45 AM PST Subject: Date:

Prayers for Peacemakers, January 9, 2013

Pray that justice-seeking communities in Palestine, Israel and around the world stand firm **to prevent the eviction of more than a thousand villagers** in Massafer Yatta, south of Hebron, West Bank, and the conversion of their homeland into a bombing range.

=== **SEXWATCH** === L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.

Well, I had heard of LGBT but not L.G.B.T.Q.I.A. etc......

Generation LGBTQIA

by MICHAEL SCHULMAN published: January 9, 2013

STEPHEN IRA BEATTY, a junior at Sarah Lawrence College, uploaded a video last March on <u>We Happy Trans</u>, a site that shares "positive perspectives" on being transgender.

In the breakneck six-and-a-half-minute monologue — hair tousled, sitting in a wood-paneled dorm room — Stephen exuberantly declared himself "a queer, a nerd fighter, a writer, an artist and a guy who needs a haircut," and held forth on everything from his style icons (Truman Capote and "any male-identified person who wears thigh-highs or garters") to his toy zebra.

Because Stephen, who was born Kathlyn, is the 21-year-old child of <u>Warren Beatty</u> and <u>Annette Bening</u>, the video went viral, garnering nearly half a million views. But that was not the only reason for its appeal. With its adrenalized, freewheeling eloquence, the video seemed like a battle cry for a new generation of post-gay gender activists, for whom Stephen represents a rare public face.

Armed with the millennial generation's defining traits — Web savvy, boundless confidence and social networks that extend online and off — Stephen and his peers are forging a political identity all their own, often at odds with mainstream gay culture........

"Youth today do not define themselves on the spectrum of L.G.B.T.," said Shane Windmeyer, a founder of <u>Campus Pride</u>, a national student advocacy group based in Charlotte, N.C.

Part of the solution has been to add more letters, and in recent years the post-post-gay-rights banner has gotten significantly longer, some might say unwieldy. The emerging rubric is "L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.", which stands for different things, depending on whom you ask.

"Q" can mean "questioning" or "queer", an umbrella term itself, formerly derogatory before it was appropriated by gay activists in the 1990s. "I" is for "intersex", someone whose anatomy is not exclusively male or female. And "A" stands for "ally" (a friend of the cause) or "asexual", characterized by the absence of sexual attraction.

It may be a mouthful, but it's catching on, especially on liberal-arts campuses.

The University of Missouri, Kansas City, for example, has an <u>L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.</u> Resource Center that, among other things, helps student locate "gender-neutral" restrooms on campus. Vassar College offers an <u>L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.</u> Discussion <u>Group</u> on Thursday afternoons. Lehigh University will be hosting its second annual <u>L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.</u> Intercollegiate <u>Conference</u> next month, followed by a Queer Prom. Amherst College even has an L.G.B.T.Q.Q.I.A.A. center, where every group gets its own letter.......

And with a plethora of ever-expanding categories like "genderqueer" and "androgyne" to choose from, each with an online subculture, piecing together a gender identity can be as D.I.Y. as making a Pinterest board.

BUT sometimes L.G.B.T.Q.I.A. is not enough. At the University of Pennsylvania last fall, eight freshmen united in the frustration that no campus group represented them.

Sure, Penn already had some two dozen gay student groups, including Queer People of Color, Lambda Alliance, and <u>J-Bagel</u>, which bills itself as the university's "Jewish L.G.B.T.Q.I.A. Community". But none focused on gender identity (the closest, Trans Penn, mostly catered to faculty members and graduate students)......

Through Facebook, Richard and others started a group called Penn Non-Cis, which is short for "non-cisgender". For those not fluent in gender-studies speak, "cis" means "on the same side as" and "cisgender" denotes someone whose gender identity matches his or her biology, which describes most of the student body. The group seeks to represent everyone else. "This is a freshman uprising," Richard said.......

Students read poems and diary entries, and sang guitar ballads. Then Britt Gilbert — a punky-looking freshman with a blond bob, chunky glasses and a rock band T-shirt — took the stage. She wanted to talk about the concept of "bi-gender"....

Then he rattled off a list of gender identities, many culled from Wikipedia. "We have our lesbians, our gays," he said, before adding, "bisexual, transsexual, queer, homosexual, asexual". He took a breath and continued. "Pansexual. Omnisexual. Trisexual. Agender. Bigender. Transgender. Tran

from: http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/10/fashion/generation-lgbtqia.html?pagewanted=1&_r=0&hpw

=== BOOKWATCH ===

The p*nis Cross to bare -- Anatomy of a seminal work

Dec 1st 2012 | from the print edition Behind the figleaf

<u>God's Doodle</u>: The Life and Times of the Pen*s. By Tom Hickman. Square Peg; 234 pages; £12.99. Buy from Amazon.co.uk THE problem with p*n*ses, as Richard Rudgley, a British anthropologist, admitted on a television programme some years ago, is that once you start noticing them, you "tend to see willies pretty much everywhere". They are manifest in skyscrapers, depicted in art, and loom large in literature. They pop up on the walls of schoolyards across the world, and on the walls of temples both modern and ancient. The Greeks and Japanese rendered......

from: http://www.economist.com/news/books-and-arts/21567330-anatomy-seminal-work-cross-barespc=scode&spv=xm&ah=9d7f7ab945510a56fa6d37c30b6f170

=== Canadian Authors Association ===

Happy Writing in 2013! / News & Events Update

In today's message: Entry deadline for CAA Annual Awards for Adult Literature is January 15, 2013, CAA Member News, National Voices Anthology on sale now, Upcoming Meetings, Join us at the CanWrite! 2013 National Conference — it's set for June 13 to 16 in Orillia, Ontario, and Writer's News You Can Use: Visit our website to learn about the benefits of belonging to the Canadian Authors Association.

http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=5797340fa00b1eba9246a28d2&id=de1af3267e

Wordworks Winter 2012 Literary Writes

January 1, 2013

Wordworks: A literary magazine produced by the Federation of British Columbia Writers, reaching out to writers in all regions in the province, in all genres and at all levels. (Winter 2012)

http://issuu.com/wordworks/docs/wordworks_winter_2012_literary_writes_issue

Latest Issue Of Book News -- Vol. 7 No. 48

BOOK NEWS -- Incite: Mind-altering, metamorphic, twice-monthly!

Join us on **Wednesday January 16** as three celebrated authors explore the ideas behind their fascinating new books. The Vancouver Writers Fest offers a compendium of literary events around town and links to reviews and articles of interest. (January 3)

See: http://www.writersfest.bc.ca/community/latestbooknews

Two fellas walk into a bar...

That might seem like the set-up to a joke, but it's the premise of Two Pints, the new and hilarious book from Booker Prize-winning Irish writer Roddy Doyle, writes Robert J. Wiersema. In fact, Doyle has been working on The Guts, a sequel to the Barrytown Trilogy, and revisiting The Commitments, working on a musical adaptation of the novel.

http://www.vancouversun.com/entertainment/books/Interview+Irish+author+Roddy+Doyle+hands+never+idle/7753069/story.html

=== LANGUAGEWATCH ===

- ~ any comments on Ithkuil? (a conlangue in last issue)
- ~ INITIALISMS/ACRONYMS -- some new ones for me:

YOLO: You Only Live Once ICYMI: In Case You Missed It IIRC: If I Recall Correctly

=== GRAMMARWATCH ===

4 Copy Editors Killed In Ongoing AP Style, Chicago Manual Gang Violence

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NEW YORK—Law enforcement officials confirmed Friday that four more copy editors were killed this week amid ongoing violence between two rival gangs divided by their loyalties to the *The Associated Press Stylebook* and *The Chicago Manual Of Style*. "At this time we have reason to believe the killings were gang-related and carried out by adherents of both the AP and Chicago styles, part of a vicious, bloody feud to establish control over the grammar and usage guidelines governing American English," said FBI spokesman....

Read the whole gripping story: http://www.theonion.com/articles/4-copy-editors-killed-in-ongoing-ap-style-chicago,30806/

=== PRONUNCIATIONWATCH ===

PLEASE! been as in seen (not bin as in sin!)

Remember: Pus

Pussycat, pussycat, where have you **been?** I've been to London to visit the **Queen**.

=== WORDWATCH === Your word for today is: morology, n. {sometimes heard on Monday nights} morology, n.

Pronunciation: Brit. /məˈrɒlədʒi/, /mɒˈrɒlədʒi/, U.S. /məˈrɑlədʒi/ Forms: 15–16 morologie, 16 19– morology.

Etymology: < Middle French *morologie* (1593) or its etymon post-classical Latin *morologia* foolish talking (4th cent.) < ancient Greek $\mu\omega\rho$ ολογία foolish talking < $\mu\omega\rho$ ολόγος that talks foolishly (< $\mu\omega\rho$ ός foolish (see moron n.²) + -λόγος: see -logy comb. form) + -ία -v suffix³. In sense 2 after morologist n, morological adj.

†1. Foolish words or talking. Obs.

a1614 J. Melville Autobiogr. & Diary (1842) 350 Corrupt communication, morologie, aischrologie.

1652 W. Rowland *Judic. Astrol.* (title-page), Of Will. Ramsey's Morologie in his pretended Reply (called *Lux veritatis*) to Doctour Nathaniel Homes his Demonologie.

1656 T Blount Glossographia, Morology, a foolish speaking.

2. The study of fools and folly. rare.

1908 N.E.D., Morology, the science that treats of fools.

1975 B. Felton & M. Fowler *Most Unusual* 176 This book is an example of morology—the study of foolishness.

=== HERITAGEWATCH ===

+ HERITAGE SOCIETY of BC http://www.heritagebc.ca/home/ http://www.heritagebc.ca/home/

[2013] This year's theme: Good Neighbours

Heritage Homes and Neighbourhoods

+ HERITAGE WEST VAN

Heritage Week always starts the third Monday of February, so in 2013 it's Feb 18 (to 24). If you have an idea for an event or wd like to participate or volunteer, pls write to heritage@westvan.org

If you'd like a 2013 Heritage Week poster, pls write or call 922 4400 (I have a couple)..

+ HERITAGE VANCOUVER SOCIETY Read bulletins from our website: www.heritagevancouver.org/bulletin

E-bulletin sign-up for event listings, alerts, heritage info; all coming events: www.heritagevancouver.org Read this bulletin from our website: www.heritagevancouver.org/bulletin/bulletin 20121106.html

Other Coming Events All events: heritagevancouver.org

= VANCOUVER HERITAGE FOUNDATION -- http://www.vancouverheritagefoundation.org

2013 Grant Deadline is FEBRUARY 1!

Get your application in for one of our four grants; True Colours, Restore It!, Get on the Register, or House Call. See http://www.vancouverheritagefoundation.org/granting.html for requirements and details about each grant.

=== HAIKUWATCH ===

Vancouver Haiku Group January meeting

The next meeting for the Vancouver Haiku Group will be **Sunday January 20**, **from 1 to 4pm** at the Britannia Community Services Centre in the Family Resource Centre across from the library. The centre is located at 1661 Napier Street in Vancouver, just off Commercial Drive, where a large parking lot with free parking is located behind the facility.

Tanka workshop with Kozue Uzawa

A workshop on tanka with Kozue Uzawa, editor for GUSTS: Contemporary Tanka, a biannual publication of Tanka Canada, will take place on **Sunday Feb 3** at the Britannia Ctr from 1- 4pm. Note: A copy of the journal, GUSTS No. 16, a prerequisite for the workshop, will be available for a cost of \$5 at the Vancouver Haiku Group meeting on Sunday Jan 20. For more information about these events, contact Angela Naccarato at angelan@telus.net

~~~ MAIKU ~~~ 2012 December 26+

health and time, precious in life; but more positive, powerful, is love

# QUOTATIONS THOUGHTS PUNS

Blessed is he who expects no gratitude, for he shall not be disappointed. -- W C Bennett The only way to preserve your culture is to put it in jeopardy. -- Paul Andreu, French architect (b 1938) Some people develop a wishbone where their backbone should be.

-- Clementine Paddleford, American writer (1898 - 1967)

More info: <a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2005/11/30/dining/30clem.html?\_r=0">http://www.nytimes.com/2005/11/30/dining/30clem.html?\_r=0</a>

You have to allow a certain amount of time in which you are doing nothing in order to have things occur to you, to let your mind think.

-- Mortimer J Adler, American author (1902 - 2001)

And don't think the garden loses its ecstasy in winter. It's quiet, but the roots are down there riotous.

— Rumi, from "Form Is Ecstatic" in The Soul of Rumi (trans. Coleman Barks), Persian poet (1207 - 1273)

Never forget, the world is yours. \*

I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work the more I live. I rejoice in life for its own sake. Life is no 'brief candle' to me. It is a sort of splendid torch which I have got hold of for the moment; and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations.

-- George Bernard Shaw, Irish playwright (1856 - 1950)

To err is human, but when the eraser wears out ahead of the pencil, you're overdoing it. -- Josh Jenkins One ought, every day at least, to hear a little song, read a good poem, see a fine picture and, if it were possible, speak a few reasonable words.

-- Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, poet, dramatist, novelist, and philosopher (1749-1832) Help me understand what I am telling you about and I will explain it better.

-- Antonio Machado, Spanish poet (1898 - 1939)

Was Noel Coward afraid of traditional Christmas music?
The drug dealer added sugar to his marijuana to sweeten the pot.
I tried to play the bagpipes, but the sound coming out was off kilter.

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